# AlvegoRoot Theatre



2018 Summer at Fanshawe Pioneer Village

#### AlvegoRoot announces 2018 Season

Two new plays by London playwrights to celebrate AlvegoRoot's 10th Season

AlvegoRoot Theatre is pleased to announce its 2018 Season in partnership with Fanshawe Pioneer Village. In the summer of 2018 AlvegoRoot will present **two new plays**. The theme of the season will be **Rebel**, **Rebel** as both plays look at great Canadians whose passion for social change made the country a better place. Both plays will be performed in the beautiful setting of Dr. Jones' Barn at Fanshawe Pioneer Village. The plays will run in repertory from July 11<sup>th</sup> to July 26<sup>th</sup>.

"It is hard to believe that we are celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> season as a theatre. Over these ten years AlvegoRoot has become known for championing local playwrights and stories. Our 2018 season reflects our passion for Souwesto theatre. We have a new stage adaptation of London theatre pioneer James Reaney's story The Boy with An R in His Hand- a perfect play for the entire family. Next we have a play that looks at Canada's women's movement by one of this city's most exciting current playwrights Aimee Adler."

- Adam Corrigan Holowitz, Artistic Director

A fun filled adventure for the whole family awaits in

## THE BOY WITH AN R IN HIS HAND

Based on the story by James Reaney Adapted for the stage by Adam Corrigan Holowitz

Opening the season will be a new adaptation of James Reaney's story **THE BOY WITH AN R IN HIS HAND.** It's 1826 and brothers Joel and Alex have just arrived in York, Upper Canada to live with their nasty Uncle John. Alex soon encounters the press rebel William Lyon Mackenzie and becomes an apprentice at his fantastical print shop.

"James Reaney was known as an extraordinary playwright. He also wrote masterful stories. With this adaptation we are taking one of those stories and placing it on the stage. This is going to be truly a magical experience. It is a story of two young boys who bravely defy the corrupt family compact of Upper Canada and save the day! The message is powerful, no matter how young, you can stand up for what is right. This play is action packed and true fun for young and old."

- Adam Corrigan Holowitz

Exciting new play commemorates 100th anniversary of suffrage

# **WELCOME TO BON ECHO**

By Aimee Adler

The second production of AlvegoRoot's season will be the world premiere of Aimee Adler's **WELCOME TO BON ECHO**. The play is about Flora Denison MacDonald, a revolutionary member of Canadian suffrage, who has secluded herself in Bon Echo where she devotes her time to nature and the ideals of Walt Whitman. Life in Bon Echo is turned on its head when a mysterious young woman arrives and starts to unravel a complicated truth.

"I believe Aimee Adler is one of London's most exciting playwrights and I am thrilled that we have been able to commission this new play by her. She writes with humor, poetry, lyricism and great humanity. This is going to be a surprising and invigorating play." - Adam Corrigan Holowitz

The season will be directed by **Adam Corrigan Holowitz** with casting announced in the spring.

For more information or to set up an interview please contact: Adam Corrigan Holowitz at Phone: 519-615-2210, email: adamcorriganholowitz@gmail.com

# THE BOY WITH AN R IN HIS HAND

Based on the novel by James Reaney
Adapted and directed by Adam Corrigan Holowitz

July 12, 18, 19, 24 at 7:30pm July 11, 25 at 2:00pm

A thrilling adventure for the whole family!

Travel back to Upper Canada 1827 with brothers Joel and Alex as they join William Lyon

McKenzie and fight the family compact.

# WELCOME TO BON ECHO

By Aimee Adler
Directed by Adam Corrigan Holowitz

July 11, 17, 25, 26 at 7:30pm July 18 at 2:00pm

A beautiful, funny and heartfelt play about a revolutionary pioneer in Canada's suffrage movement to celebrate 100 years since women got the vote.

### **OPENING DAY!**

Wednesday July 11th

Join us in celebrating the opening of the 2018 Season!

2:00 pm: BOY WITH AN R IN HIS HAND

4:00 pm: RECEPTION

4:30 pm: INSIGHTS ON THE PLAYS 7:30 pm: WELCOME TO BON ECHO

Reception and Insights included with your purchase of tickets to the plays.

#### **Fanshawe Pioneer Village**

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